

Hampton Roads Planning District Commission July 19, 2018 Meeting Summary

The Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (HRPDC) held its regularly scheduled meeting on July 19, 2018. A summary of the actions and discussions that took place at this meeting is provided below:

HRPDC Sea Level Rise Subcommittee – The HRPDC took action to form a subcommittee to consider issues related to sea level rise and appointed the following Commission members to serve on this subcommittee:

Barbara Henley	Virginia Beach
Andria McClellan	Norfolk
Mayor McKinley Price	Newport News
Mayor John Rowe	Portsmouth
Mayor Donnie Tuck	Hampton
Dr. Ella Ward	Chesapeake

Coastal Resiliency Program Update – The HRPDC received a status report on the work of the Coastal Resiliency Committee, which included a summary of the following efforts:

- Development of policy recommendations for addressing sea level rise and more intense rainfall in the planning and design of infrastructure.
- Acquiring or developing new datasets to improve local planning
- Advocating for new federal programs and funding for local and regional projects, including projects that support Hampton Roads military installations.
- Encouraging Hampton Roads residents to purchase flood insurance through a new outreach campaign.

Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Phase III Watershed Implementation Plan (WIP) – The Commission approved a contract between the HRPDC and the Department of Environmental Quality for \$50,000 in funding in support of the Chesapeake Bay Program WIP efforts. This funding will be used by the HRPDC for the following tasks:

- Coordinate Phase III WIP efforts with localities and other partners
- Revise best management practice input decks for modeling purposes
- Identify programmatic actions for Phase III WIP implementation related to urban, forest and on-lot sewage disposal issues.

Regional Legislative Agenda – The HRPDC began a discussion on potential legislative items for the upcoming General Assembly session. On August 29th, the HRPDC and HRTPO will meet in joint session with members of the Hampton Roads Caucus to share information on regional legislative items in advance of the upcoming session. The HRPDC is expected to adopt its Regional Legislative Agenda at the October Commission meeting.

Items of Regional Interest – During the Executive Director’s Report, information was shared on a number of items including the following:

- A July 17th roundtable hosted at the HRPDC by Lieutenant Governor Justin Fairfax to discuss housing eviction trends and potential approaches to address this challenge. A similar roundtable was hosted by the Lieutenant Governor that same day on the Peninsula.
- A June 26th Air Service Forum that was hosted by the HRPDC in cooperation with the Hampton Roads Chamber. William Swelbar, an Air Service Consultant with Delta Airport Consultants, presented information at this forum on the air service industry. In addition, the Executive Directors of the Norfolk International Airport (Robert Bowen) and the Newport News/Williamsburg Airport (Mike Giardino) presented information on their facilities and future plans. Approximately 70 community members attended and participated in this forum.
- A State of the Industry presentation developed by Hunden Strategic Partners that identifies metropolitan areas as the top markets for a pro sports team to locate. The Hampton Roads region was cited in several of these rankings, including the following:
 - Major League Expansion Cities with No Current Teams that are Ready to Host a Major League Franchise
 1. Austin
 2. Louisville
 3. **Norfolk-Virginia Beach**
 4. Richmond
 5. Birmingham
 - Major League Expansion or Relocation – Top NFL Opportunities
 1. San Antonio or Austin
 2. **Norfolk/Virginia Beach** or Richmond
 3. Portland
 4. Toronto/Vancouver
 5. Sacramento
 6. London/Mexico City
 - Major League Expansion or Relocation – Top MLB Opportunities
 1. Portland
 2. Montreal
 3. Charlotte
 4. Austin/San Antonio
 5. **Norfolk/Virginia Beach** and Richmond
 - Major League Expansion or Relocation – Top NBA Opportunities
 1. Seattle
 2. San Diego
 3. Vancouver
 4. Louisville
 5. **Norfolk/Virginia Beach** or Richmond

- The HRPDC also approved a number of Consent Agenda Items including the following:
 - Appointment of a Nominating Committee to recommend a slate of officers for the HRPDC to consider at its October Annual Meeting.
 - Resolution appointing Sheila Wilson as the HRPDC's next Chief Financial Officer and authorizing Ms. Wilson to begin these duties and serve as signatory on all financial accounts effective October 1, 2018.
 - Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Amendment
 - Fiscal Year 2019 Hampton Roads Regional Meeting Schedule

- **Next Meeting** – The next meeting of the HRPDC will be held on August 29th at 10:30 a.m. at the Regional Building and will be a joint meeting with the HRTPO Board and the Hampton Roads General Assembly Caucus to discuss potential priorities for the upcoming General Assembly session.